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Wyoming, Delaware

Special Offers

No. 1.—3 dozen plants, 3 good standard sorts, our selection, mailed free, **35c**

No. 2.—250 plants, 3 good early and late sorts, our selection, by mail prepaid for **$1.00.**

No. 3.—1 dozen each of seven new sorts, Matthews, McAlpin, Willard, Joe Johnson, Early Jersey Giant, City of Chester, Rykman—mailed free for **$2.00.**

No. 4.—50 Superb Everbearing, prepaid for **$1.00.**

No. 5.—We furnish 500 of each of three varieties—Rykman, Joe and Chesapeake, by express for **$5.00.**

Send us your list to price. We may have surplus plants of some varieties that we can offer at lower prices as the season advances.

Long Distance Phone 710-R 22, Dover

Our 1916 Catalog

Contains an alphabetical price list of all the best strawberries, asparagus and so forth, with prices reduced to the lowest point considering the cost of production and packing, and the most careful description of all prominent sorts that a long experience and careful examination can suggest.

This is our 34th annual catalog but we have been active growers and large shippers for over forty years and are yet located at the same old place where we began our business, in 1865, Meadow Brook Farm, Wyoming, Del.

With the same management and added improvements and better facilities, we again offer our little catalog, asking its careful consideration by our many friends and customers, old and new.

We honestly believe we have to offer plants as good as can be grown anywhere, free from disease and insect pests and packed in the best manner possible.

This is a fine time to begin the strawberry business. The supply of good strawberries has never been equal to the demand and this was more pronounced last year than ever before. We can therefore cheerfully recommend the berry business as one of the surest ways to competence and prosperity. We omit the extravagant pictures as we think them misleading.

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PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.

FAVORABLE weather last summer has given us a large stock of plants to offer for 1916, our large facilities will enable us to serve our patrons more promptly and we believe better than ever before. Having plenty of plants to sell we can give prompt and careful shipment.

Our plants are as fine as can be grown anywhere, our prices are right, and our packing the best that 30 years' attention can suggest.

BY MAIL—By Parcel Post we can put up plants in larger and better packages at much reduced rates, especially in first and second zones.

We have made special preparations for our large mail order trade. Our mail package is so light and yet substantial that we can deliver plants right at our customers' door for less than many of our competitors charge for the plants alone, and we don't believe there are any better plants to be obtained in any way. No extra charge for mailing dozen lots, and only 10 cents per 100 extra on a larger number for first to third zones; 20 cents per hundred for more distant points.

BY EXPRESS—Reduced express charges are now in force. Our plants are put up as light as possible for express, weighing only 10 to 20 pounds per 1,000 when ready to go. We usually send by express when not otherwise ordered.

BY FREIGHT—We also ship plants to all parts of the country with almost unvarying success, giving entire satisfaction to many customers. We recommend freight as the cheapest and best way of shipping plants, except in small lots or late in the season.

PACKING in the best manner and delivery at office in Wyoming is included in all prices named. Small orders receive every care. All orders and enclosures will be promptly acknowledged, and questions relating to our business carefully answered. We use light and strong packages, put in plenty of moss, and carefully separate and mark each different variety with printed tags.

We do not attempt to grow varieties that we believe to be inferior nor confuse our patrons with too long a list. In fact, we trim our list every year, leaving out

poor and useless sorts. Please do not order plants not in our list unless you allow us to substitute a similar variety, which we can often do to the advantage of our customers, but will not do unless authorized, and then only when we can feel that we are giving as good or a better variety.

PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE, but orders will be booked and held a reasonable time and sent on receipt of remittance.

C. O. D. orders will be accepted and promptly forwarded, but when made out for a large amount a part of the money should accompany the order, or satisfactory reference given.

OUR CUSTOMERS MAY DEPEND ON GETTING FULL COUNT OF LIVE PLANTS, true to name. Should any fail to get such plants, they may, upon prompt notice, have plants replaced or money refunded.

Our Post Office address is now Wyoming, Delaware. Plants are grown and shipped from our farm near Wyoming, as they always have been. Mail now reaches us promptly from Wyoming. Letters addressed to Dover reach us the same day.

SLAYMAKER & SON.

Doe Run, Pa., April 17, 1915.

Slaymaker & Son, Wyoming, Del.—Gentlemen: The strawberry plants arrived in good time and good order. Yours very truly, E. C. BAKER.

Greensburg, Pa., May 18, 1915.

Slaymaker & Son, Wyoming, Del.—Gentlemen: I received the 800 plants in good shape, and you certainly were liberal in filling the order, for which am very grateful to you. Yours truly, M. P. BYERS.

Camden, N. J., April 29, 1915.

Slaymaker & Son, Wyoming, Del.—Gentlemen: Plants arrived all right and in fine condition this morning. Please accept thanks.

Yours truly, M. F. WICKES.

Aikin, Mo., May 20, 1915.

Slaymaker & Son, Wyoming, Del.—Gentlemen: The strawberry plants came Tuesday and are very satisfactory. Yours truly, MISS ANNA GOUDON.

CULTURAL DIRECTIONS.

Land should be selected that has grown a cultivated crop, like tomatoes, the preceding year, and not grown any berries for at least five years. Plow early and deep, allowing a few days at least between plowing and planting. Soil should be made as fine as possible and freshly worked just ahead of planting. Set plants 18 inches apart each way if for garden, 16 inches apart in rows 3 feet wide if for field culture. One row out of every four must be of perfect flowering varieties. Set the plants with trowel, or any way convenient, so that the roots extend down into the soil, and are all covered, the crown appearing just above the surface of the ground. Firm very carefully; large beds may be rolled as soon as set out. Cultivate or hoe soon after setting and often enough to keep all weeds down. Let enough runners take root to make the rows 12 inches wide, with plants standing about 6 inches apart each way.

Cultivation should be kept up until winter stops all work. Mulching should be done in the Northern States when ground is frozen. Straw or any similar material that will stay on may be used to protect the plants. In Delaware and most Southern States the mulch is applied in early Spring between the rows. If there are any weeds that will live through the winter, they should be taken out before the mulch is put on.

Strawberries need very rich soil, so it pays to put on plenty of fertilizer or manure. Fertilizer should be put in row before planting. Then in the early fall a fertilizer should be spread on the rows, 1 per cent. potash, 10 per cent. phosphoric acid, 500 pounds or more to the acre. Nitrate should be used in the spring, just as the blooms begin to appear; apply 200 lbs. nitrate of soda per acre.

If stable manure is available it may be used to mulch the rows, in which case the quantity of fertilizer may be reduced or omitted. Straw, hay or even cut fodder may be used for mulch, only be sure to put on enough to protect the berries from sand and dust, and also to prevent the moisture from escaping. If heavy mulch has been applied in the winter it is necessary to remove from the rows in the spring so as to let the new growth come through.

Still Pond, Md., May 2, 1915.

Slaymaker & Son, Wyoming, Del.—Gentlemen: I have never seen so many strawberries in bushes as are on the Superb I got from you last year.

Yours truly, W. S. MAXWELL.

Seymour, Conn., May 1, 1915.

Slaymaker & Son, Wyoming, Del.—Gentlemen: Plants arrived O. K. Have them all set and they seem to be taking root all right. T. J. KELLEHER.

NEW VARIETIES.

New Early Strawberry, Matthews—By special arrangement with the originator we are able to offer this very remarkable new strawberry this year. The following description is in the language of Mr. Matthews:

"The new strawberry I am propagating, Matthews, is extremely early, ripening at the same time as Excelsior. It is a large berry, deep red in color, with large green cap, and is extremely productive. The foliage is dark green and very healthy. I think I can safely say that you will find more large berries per acre than on an acre of Gandy. They are also a good shipper. The least price I received last season was eleven cents a quart.

"When it commences to ripen you have to get busy, as large quantities of them ripen at the same time; extra early and large. There have been many growers in my patch during the three seasons I fruited it, and I have failed to hear of one that was not astonished at its size, earliness and prolificness."

Mr. F. E. Matthews has been president of our Peninsula Horticultural Society. His honesty and truthfulness are beyond question. Early berries always bring the best prices. This is a chance to get started in this new strawberry that we believe promises to be the best money maker yet. **See Testimonials, on next to last page of cover.**

McAlpin.—This is a new berry of remarkable record from New Jersey. We have only had a few berries to ripen, so must depend mainly on what others say about them. Messrs. W. O. and H. W. Davis, commission merchants of New York, wrote to Mr. Allen about the McAlpin: "This is the finest berry we have ever sold and we do not except any we have seen sold on this market for years. We had three shipments of the McAlpin strawberry this morning, and they sold for 25 cents a quart wholesale. The trade is carried away with them."

It is almost needless for us to say that the berries are beautiful bright red and shapely. The plants grow with great vigor, making plenty of plants. For those who practice setting out strawberries in hills, so they can be worked both ways with the horse hoe, this variety will prove of especial value, as the numerous long runners will fill out the rows very rapidly late in summer.

We show a picture of McAlpin on the front page of this catalog, which is true to size and shape, without the exaggeration so common in pictures of berries in illustrated catalogs.

Wrentham, Mass., April 29, 1915.

Slaymaker & Son, Wyoming, Del.—Gentlemen: The five hundred plants which you sent have arrived in good condition, and I am pleased with them. Your prices are certainly very reasonable. Yours truly, S. R. COBB.

GENERAL LIST OF STRAWBERRIES.

Abington—The Abington ripens second early; berries are of good size, lasting through the full season, always comparing favorably with best market sorts. A very necessary qualification for a popular strawberry is a good vigorous plant, and this is among the marked characteristics of this variety. A strong healthy grower of large plants, with large dark leaves completely covering the row, and yet not so thickly set as to overcrowd itself. We like the Abington better every year, and believe it is gaining steadily in favor with all who have given it a trial. A perfect blooming sort that fertilizes its own and adjoining rows if necessary. It grows well, even in very dry weather. Our stock of these plants is large, but of course large plants do not turn out like many of the small growing ones. Our price is certainly low for fine plants of such a valuable variety.

Aroma (Per.)—One of the oldest sorts now in general use, but still a valuable berry. It has the same season as Gandy, is not so large but more productive. With good care it is large enough for market, especially as it is very uniform in size and color.

Bradley—This is a new splendid variety, with perfect blossoms and healthy, vigorous plants. The berries are of good color, uniformly conical in shape, with some of the largest slightly flattened at the tip. Large in size and firm enough to make a good shipping berry. "Exceedingly productive, having yielded on thin land over 5,000 quarts to the acre without fertilization." Ripens in mid-season.

Barrymore—Originated by H. L. Crane, of Massachusetts, in 1908. It was awarded silver medal and three first premiums, which is quite a record for a berry in one season. It is a healthy and vigorous grower, with perfect blossoms. The berries are glossy in color, rich, deep crimson, with red flesh of an excellent quality. Also a mid-season berry.

Bubach (Imp.)—This holds its place in the favor of some strawberry growers—the leading pistillate variety for market. Large, bright berry, coloring very evenly; just the size and color that seem now to be most popular. Make plants slowly.

Brandywine—An old sort that is very well thought of in many sections, though never largely grown in Delaware. Late ripening season.

Chesapeake (Per.)—We had an opportunity to see the Chesapeake at its best on the Seabrook farms, near Bridgeton; 30 acres, all Chesapeake, are grown on these farms under irrigation, and a net profit claimed of over $1,000 per acre. We never saw a finer lot of berries. They were bringing fancy prices, 15 to 20 cents per quart, showing how good berries are appreciated in our city markets. It pays to specialize on a good strawberry that suits your land. If you have the right kind of soil there is no more profitable berry to grow than the Chesapeake. This sort

was sent out by Mr. W. F. Allen over fifteen years ago, and he says there is no better one yet. The berry is indeed a beauty, rarely equaled in its high color and exquisite flavor. It makes plants slowly and needs land that is well supplied with moisture, as well as in the highest state of fertilization. The fruit always commands the highest price in market. It ripens just after mid-season. We have grown a large stock of Chesapeake or we could not price them so low.

Corsican (Per.)—This grand berry was first called Big Berry. It is not only a big berry, but such sweet rich fruit as to entitle it to a first rank among the best strawberries for table use. Corsican gains friends every year, both for home and the market. It is of bright rich color and large size, and in high quality, it has few if any equals. Not so heavy a bearer as some other sorts, but always to be depended on for a good crop of extra berries. Season same as Bubach.

City of Chester—This variety originated some years ago in a garden in Chester, Pennsylvania. A few plants found growing in her garden by a lady so impressed her that the plants were sent to her people, near Felton, Delaware. This berry has met with great favor in our local markets, bringing the highest price on Wyoming market for two years in succession. Having tried these berries we now offer them to our customers for the first time, confident that it is among the best large high-color berries. We want to see our friends try the Chester for the largest good all-season strawberry.

Early Queen—One of our favorites among the early varieties; larger than Michel or Excelsior; somewhat pointed in shape, and fine in coloring.

Early Ozark—An early variety sent out by Mr. Bauer some years ago. It is larger than most other berries of its extra early season. Very fine quality and dark red color.

Early Jersey Giant—One of our most promising new varieties. Originated by Dr. Walter Van Fleet, of New Jersey. The berries are large, brilliant scarlet-crimson, conical, with pointed tips, colors all over at once; has a delightful aroma and a rich, mild, wild strawberry flavor; has large green caps, hence exceedingly showy and attractive; blossoms large and staminate; plant a strong grower and a heavy yielder. It is one of the largest and best of the very early varieties. A prominent Burlington County, New Jersey, grower says: "I picked my first ripe berries of the Early Jersey Giant on Monday, May 12, the same day I picked my first St. Louis; as an early berry it is in a class by itself." (Introducer's description.)

This variety gave us some beautiful bright berries in our trial bed last season, uniformly large and of high quality, but not so early as St. Louis. Should have a trial everywhere.

Excelsior (Per.)—First early. Probably the most productive of the very early sorts. Firm and goes to market in fine shape, but not large enough for best market prices except under the best culture with heavy fertilization.

Gandy—This is the old standard for late strawberries that has stood the test of years and remains as popular as ever before. It is so well known in market as to command a special price in all large cities. Gandy does not set as many berries as most sorts, but the large size tends to make up for the smaller number of the berries. Does best on rather low dark land, where the water is not too far from the roots. No good on light upland.

Glen Mary—An old standard sort that is regarded as the best market berry in many sections, especially in the Northern States. We have always sold all the Glen Mary plants we could raise, and sold them over again to the same customers, thus proving the popularity of this variety in those sections where it does the best. Although not much grown in Delaware, it is a prime favorite in parts of Pennsylvania and other Northern States. Glen Mary will fertilize its own blooms, but cannot be depended on to plant with imperfect varieties.

Helen Davis (Per.)—Has been thoroughly tested on all kinds of soil for several seasons, and has produced a large crop of extra large berries when other well-known varieties were almost a total failure. It is not easily killed by the frost, and the fruit is produced in clusters on large strong fruit-stalks, is perfectly formed, of large size, red to the center, and of a highly delicious flavor unknown to any other variety. Like many other good varieties, the Helen Davis is inclined to make too many runners. This tendency must be checked if the best results are to be attained.

Hustler (Per.)—Newly introduced from Pennsylvania. The berry is of large size, very red and beautiful. We think it will prove a great favorite in market. Plants are large, but not very plentifully produced, so it will be some years before they become very low in price.

Joe (Per.)—Originated some years ago in New Jersey. We have always recommended this as about the best berry grown. Rich red color, of the highest quality and great as a producer, with a most vigorous and healthy plant, does well on most any good soil, but no variety will pay better for extra care, feed and attention. Season late; good plant maker and good in every respect. Known in some sections as Emerson.

Joe Johnson—This variety very nearly resembles the Joe in fruit, flower and ripening season, but has a distinct plant growth; more of the Gandy type, though a much more productive berry than Gandy.

Big Joe—A third variety of very similar character, though different in plant growth.

These three sorts—Joe, Joe Johnson and Big Joe—though certainly distinct and different in leaf and plant, are very much alike in berry and fruit, and we can heartily recommend them all for fine late berries.

Klondyke (Per.)—Medium early. A growing favorite for market on account of the fine uniform berry ripening very much together and carrying to market in the best shape. At first a favorite only in the South, but every year more largely planted as an early market berry North as well as South.

Mascot—A new late sort of unusually large size and productiveness. Grown for several years around Selbyville, in the southern part of this State. Grows in popularity every year, and will be extensively planted all over this section the coming spring. Season same as Gandy, lasting longer and usually producing a much better crop of equally good berries. Has been found to do well on land too dry for Gandy. The past dry season seemed just to suit the Mascott, and growers who know it best are enthusiastic in its praise. Mascott gave splendid results last year around Felton and Wyoming, Delaware. Did not do so well further South, where season was too wet for them.

Paul Jones—A pistillate variety that ripens with us among the first. Larger and more productive than other sorts of this same early season, a seedling of Haverland and Brandywine that we can recommend as the best of its class. Brilliant coloring and good size. Ripens its crop in very short time, which is quite an advantage with an early berry.

Rewastico—As described by Originator, is a highly colored, rich cardinal-red berry, and the color penetrates clear through. The berries are uniformly large in size and in shape, and as perfect and uniform as if turned out of a mold. We do not know yet that Rewastico will be at its best in every section of the country, but on the farm where it originated it surely cannot be beaten. It was planted with Chesapeake when we first saw it, and they surely do make a good pair of fancy market berries. We consider it the only real competitor the Chesapeake has ever had.

Ryckman (Per.)—Bears a tremendous crop of the very largest-sized berries, and is probably the sweetest and best flavored variety grown. In growth, it is extremely vigorous, even on poor soils, and it is noted for bearing heavy crops continuously on the same ground for several years. It is perfect flowering and quite early. Farmers everywhere will find little difficulty in marketing at a good, big price the berries from an acre or more of Ryckman, for there is an unlimited demand for very large, sweet strawberries. Although it is such a heavy bearer, the Ryckman produces its entire crop in a few days, thus requiring but little time to harvest and sell the berries. We prefer Ryckman on our own table until the Joe is ready to eat.

Sample (Imp.)—Large and productive, ripens its large crop in a few pickings. We like the Sample for its vigorous, healthy plants quite as well as for its firm and attractive fruit. Berry long, fine red color.

The New Sweetheart—"The peculiar characteristics of this strawberry are as follows: It is of beautiful, bright carmine red, as handsome as the most beautiful rose. It is solid in flesh. It is the best keeping berry I have seen, and must be a good shipper on account of its firmness of flesh and ability to stand up under hard usage. The flesh inside the berry is reddish nearly to the center, which I consider a valuable characteristic." We have fruited this new berry and find it early, of good size, fine color and best quality. Plant healthy and vigorous, not exceptionally large. Shows a few white leaves.

Success (Per.)—One of the best early varieties, first of the large berries to ripen. Strong staminate blossom, large vigorous plant and fine fruit. A favorite market sort. We sent this berry out a good many years ago, and have always recommended it as among the best of its second early season.

Warren (Per.)—This variety represents the best berry developed by a lifetime of scientific experiment on the part of its originator. We find it ideal in size, shape and coloring. No wonder it has proved such a prize winner at horticultural exhibits.

Willard (Frances E.)—Mid-season. This is truly a wonderful berry, very large, and very beautiful. Its color is that brilliant, glossy red that seems to belong particularly to the strawberry, and is one of its chief attractions. The plant is large and healthy, with an abundance of bright, thrifty foliage, which amply protects its great crop of beautiful fruit. It makes a generous increase by runners, and yields splendid berries and plenty of them in the matted row. Every blossom makes a berry, which gives it a good length of season, and the fruit ripens all over at once; no white tips. This grand variety is the result of scientific breeding through many generations.

FALL BEARING STRAWBERRIES.

Superb—With us this is the best of the fall-bearing varieties. A good bearer during September and October of fine large strawberries of typical shape and good color. The Superb is also a good variety for spring crop, giving berries that excel in coloring and are uniformly large, shapely and attractive. Everyone should try the splendid fall-bearing Superb.

Progressive—Most productive of the fall-bearing varieties. In fact the Progressive is inclined to set too many berries. All bloom must be removed until the first of August or even later, and even then better results may be obtained by removing about one-half the blossoms every week.

GENERAL LIST OF STRAWBERRIES.

Dozen rates include postage. Add 10 cents per hundred for mailing for 1st to 3rd zones, 20 cents other zones.

	12	100	1000
Abington (Per)	$ 20	$ 30	$2 50
Aroma (Per)	20	30	3 00
Barrymore (Per)	20	30	3 00
Bradley (Per)	30	50	4 00
Brandywine (Per)	20	40	2 50
Bubach (Per)	20	40	3 50
Big Joe	20	50	4 00
Champion (Per) Stevens Late	20	30	2 50
Chesapeake (Per)	25	50	3 00
City of Chester (Imp)	20	40	3 00
Climax (Per)	20	30	3 00
Corsican (Per)	25	30	2 50
Ekey (Per)	25	30	3 00
Early Ozark	25	40	3 00
Early Queen	30	50	4 00
Early Jersey Giant	30	50	
Edmond Wilson	30	50	
Excelsior (Per)	15	25	2 00
Fairfield (Per)	20	30	2 50
Fendall (Imp)	20	40	3 00
Gandy (Per)	20	30	2 50
Glen Mary (Per)	20	30	3 50
Haverland (Imp)	20	30	2 50
Helen Davis (Per)	20	30	2 00
Hustler	50	1 00	
Joe (Per)	20	30	2 50
Joe Johnson	30	40	3 50
Klondyke (Per)	20	30	2 50

	12	100	1000
Marshall (Per)	$ 25	$ 50	$4 00
McAlpin	20	40	3 50
Mascot	20	30	2 50
Matthews	50	1 00	
Michel's Early (Per)	15	30	2 50
Missionary (Per)	15	30	2 50
New York (Per)	15	30	3 00
Norwood (Per)	40	75	5 00
Pan American (Per)	1 00		
Parsons Beauty (Per)	20	30	2 50
Paul Jones	20	30	2 50
Progressive	50	1 00	
Rewastico (Per)	20	30	2 50
Ryckman	25	50	4 00
Sample (Imp)	15	30	2 50
Superb	50	1 00	10 00
Superior (Per)	25	30	2 00
St. Louis	25	40	3 00
Senator Dunlap (Per)	20	30	2 50
Sweetheart (Per)	25	50	3 00
Success (Per)	15	30	2 50
Townsend Late	30	40	3 00
Tennessee (Per)	25	40	3 00
Uncle Jim (Per)	30	50	3 00
Wm. Belt (Per)	25	30	2 50
3 W (Per)	20	30	3 00
Warren	50	1 00	
Willard	25	75	4 00

Those marked (Imp) are imperfect in blossom and must have a perfect plant set near them; every third row will do.

Sterling, Ohio, April 3, 1915.

Slaymaker & Son, Wyoming, Del.—We sent for a 600-plant collection four years ago and were much pleased with it. All that saw the fruit said they never saw such berries. Yours truly, E. M. HARTMAN.

BLACKBERRIES.

Kenoyer—$1.50 per hundred. **Ward**—$1.50 per hundred.

Lucretia Dewberry—Very largely grown for market all over the country. $1.00 per hundred. **Austin Dewberry**—$1.00 per hundred.

RASPBERRIES.

Miller—$1.00 per hundred. **Cuthbert**—$1.25 per hnndred.
Kansas Black Cap—$1.00 per hundred.

ASPARAGUS.

Giant Argenteuil—A well known French variety that produces large green stalks. A free strong grower of superior quality. Large No. 1 plants, $3.50 per 1000. No. 2, $2.50.

Palmetto—Originated in South Carolina, more largely grown in the South than any other sort. Large No. 1 plants, $3.50 per 1000. Smaller plants, $2.50.

POULTRY.

While we are not very largely in the poultry business, we use every effort to have highly bred stock, renewing it often from breeders of fancy prize-winning fowls. Our customers can depend on obtaining good, fresh eggs of good stock, at what are popularly called "farmer's prices."

We have had remarkable success in packing and shipping eggs to distant points.

White Wyandotte.—Large white docile fowls that lay like the Leghorn without much inclination to sit. Large brown eggs. Grow so large they excel for table or market. We recommend the White Wyandotte as combining in a remarkable way the best qualities of all the best breeds. Our White Wyandottes are the best Afton farm prize winning hens crossed with pure Tom Barron cock birds, 229 egg record; 13 eggs, 75 cents; 30 eggs for $1.50.

Wellsburg, W. Va., May 4, 1914.

Slaymaker & Son—Dear Sirs: The plants you shipped on the 30th arrived here on the first of May. Fine plants in perfect condition. I have been getting plants from you for years, and everything satisfactory so far, and when in need of more plants surely get them from you. Yours truly, H. HEINZEROTH.

ORDER SHEET

Name of Buyer ..... *Amt. Enclosed, $* .....

Postoffice ..... *County* ..... *State* .....

Express Office ..... *Express Co.* ..... *Freight Station* .....

Ship by ..... *On or about* .....

Mail, Express, or Freight.

Date of Order *191*

QUANTITY	NAME OF VARIETY	PRICES	
	If we are out of a variety, may we substitute a similar variety ? Please answer here ?		

Testimonials to New Strawberry, Matthews.

(Described on page four.)

My Dear Mr. Matthews:—I have been visiting your farm for the past three years studying the new strawberry grown on your farm. I am glad to know you have called the berry "Matthews" for it deserves a good name. I consider this strawberry the earliest and most prolific I have ever seen, also of excellent size. The last time I was in your patch you remember I picked about four quarts without moving. This was a sight for the Horticulturist and I wish every one in the U. S. could have seen it. I also consider it one of the best shippers, as it holds up well. Yours truly, H. S. LIPPINCOTT,
Farm Demonstrator Somerset County, Md.

Pocomoke, Md.

Mr. F. E. Matthews, Sir:—My several visits last Spring to your farm to view your early strawberry patch was a revelation to me. 1 never saw such pretty berries nor quite so large especially so as to their uniformity. The vines seemed to be loaded almost to the point of groaning and were all of such uniform size and such beautiful color.
Very truly yours, JOHN W. ENNIS, Cashier.

Mr. F. E. Matthews, Dear Sir:—I am pleased to tell you that I had the pleasure of seeing your new strawberry, "Matthews," growing for three seasons and found it to be the finest Extra Early berry that ever came to my notice. It was about the first to ripen and what was better, the berries were large, of good color and you were able to market all of your crop before the mid-season varieties were ripe.
Very truly yours, W. C. CULLEN,
Sec., Treas., and Gen'l. Manager, Peninsula Produce Exchange of Maryland.

My Dear Mr. Matthews:—Referring to your request for an expression of my judgment of the new strawberry "The Matthews" propagated by you and which you have been growing for several years, I beg to say:

As you know I have a number of times visited your farm and closely examined the said berry plants and their fruit. I have also a number of times noticed them in your local market. I must state that my observations fully convince me that you have an unusually valuable berry, a berry which is certainly the earliest berry I know, ripening fully a week ahead of the Missionary and being a much larger and more prolific berry than any other early variety. It also seems to be a berry that will carry good. Indeed I think your experience with it in putting it on the markets the past year shows that it is a good shipping berry.

With best wishes, I am, Very truly yours, COLMORE E. BYRD, Cashier,
The Citizens' National Bank.

State of Delaware,

State Board of Agriculture.

Certificate of Nursery Inspection.

DOVER, DELAWARE, OCT. 2, 1915.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:—

This certifies that I have this day examined the nursery stock and premises of the Meadow Brook Nurseries of Messrs. Slaymaker & Son at WYOMING, Kent County, Delaware, and the said nursery stock is apparently free from crown gall, peach yellows, peach rosette, the San Jose scale, and all other plant diseases and insects of a seriously dangerous character.

This certificate may be revoked by the State Board of Agriculture for cause and it is invalid after September 29, 1916; and does not include nursery stock not grown on the above named premises unless such stock is covered by certificate of a State Government officer and accepted by the State Board of Agriculture.

WESLEY WEBB, Inspector.